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For: PROCESS FOR APPLYING A LAYER OF BRANCHED POLYAMIDE TO A

SUBSTRATE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION UNDER RULE 116

Sir:

The following comments and attachment are being filed to supplement the applicants' Amendment After Final Rejection dated December 22, 2008 ("After-Final Amendment").

Specifically, attached is a Declaration Under 37 CFR §1.132 of Jan de KROON ("KROON Declaration") which presents in a verified manner the experimental evidence noted on pages 7-8 of the After-Final Amendment.

It is therefore requested that the KROON Declaration be entered into the Official Record and considered on its merits collectively with the After-Final Amendment.

A favorable reply on the merits of this application is therefore awaited.

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## Fee Authorization

No fee is believed to be required. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u>, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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